

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Please amend claim 17 as indicated below in the detailed listing of claims.
Claims 23-46 have been withdrawn by the Examiner.

Claims 1-16 (canceled).

Claim 17 (currently amended). A method of operating an information system, comprising:

- providing an information system in a vehicle;
- inputting data into the information system; and
- transmitting a message from the information system to a given vehicle destination, wherein the message is:
 - indicative of progress of the vehicle; and,
 - based on the data.

Claim 18 (original). The method of claim 17, and further comprising:

- providing a mobile telephone;
- inputting a vocal command into the information system; and
- automatically dialing the mobile telephone in response to inputting the vocal command.

Claim 19 (original). The method of claim 17, and further comprising:

- providing a mobile data processing/storage device;
- storing data on the mobile data processing/storage device;
- inputting a vocal command into the information system; and
- presenting data from the mobile data processing/storage device in response to the vocal command.

Claim 20 (original). The method of claim 17, and further comprising:

- providing a vehicle peripheral system;
- inputting a vocal command into the information system; and
- operating the vehicle peripheral system in response to the vocal command.

1 Claim 21 (previously presented). The method of claim 17, further comprising
2 presenting information from the information system, the information selected from
3 the group consisting of:

4 an address of the destination;
5 a location of the destination;
6 directions to the destination;
7 a reason for stopping at the destination;
8 projected time of arrival at the destination; and
9 projected duration of time spent at the destination.

10 Claim 22 (previously presented). The method of claim 17, wherein the data is
11 indicative of at least one factor selected from the group consisting of:

12 road conditions;
13 traffic patterns;
14 weather; and
15 destination access availability.

16 Claim 23 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:

17 providing an information system in a vehicle;
18 receiving substantially real-time data into the information system; and
19 presenting, from the information system, a substantially up-to-date routing
20 schedule based on the data.

21 Claim 24 (withdrawn). The method of claim 23, wherein the data is indicative of a
22 factor selected from the group consisting of:

23 road conditions;
24 traffic patterns; and
25 weather.

1 Claim 25 (withdrawn). The method of claim 23, wherein the routing schedule
2 comprises information selected from the group consisting of:

3 an address of a destination;
4 a location of a destination; and
5 directions to a destination.

6 Claim 26 (withdrawn). The method of claim 23, wherein the routing schedule
7 comprises information selected from the group consisting of:

8 a reason for stopping at a destination;
9 projected time of arrival at a destination; and
10 projected duration of time spent at a destination.

11 Claim 27 (withdrawn). The method of claim 23, further comprising transmitting a
12 message from the information system to a given destination, wherein the message is
13 indicative of one of:

14 a location of the vehicle relative to the given destination; and
15 an estimated time of arrival of the vehicle at the given destination.

16 Claim 28 (withdrawn). The method of claim 27, wherein the message is a pager
17 message.

18 Claim 29 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:

19 receiving substantially real-time data into an information system provided in a
20 vehicle;

21 determining, within the information system, a substantially up-to-date routing
22 schedule based on the data; and

23 transmitting a message from the information system to a given destination,
24 wherein the message is indicative of progress of the vehicle.

25 Claim 30 (withdrawn). The method of claim 28, wherein the message is a pager
message.

1 Claim 31 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:
2 providing an information system in a vehicle;
3 receiving into the information system substantially real-time data indicative of
4 a factor selected from the group consisting of:
5 road conditions;
6 traffic patterns;
7 weather; and
8 destination access availability;
9 and,
10 based on the data, controlling a peripheral system of the vehicle.
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12 Claim 32 (withdrawn). The method of claim 31, wherein the vehicle peripheral
13 system is substantially at least a portion of a drive train of the vehicle.
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15 Claim 33 (withdrawn). The method of claim 31, wherein the vehicle peripheral
16 system is substantially an auxiliary power plant of the vehicle.
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18 Claim 34 (withdrawn). The method of claim 31, wherein the vehicle peripheral
19 system is a suspension system of the vehicle.
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21 Claim 35 (withdrawn). The method of claim 31, wherein the vehicle peripheral
22 system is substantially at least a control system of the vehicle.
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24 Claim 36 (withdrawn). The method of claim 31, wherein the vehicle peripheral
25 system is substantially a load control system of the vehicle.
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1 Claim 37 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:
2 providing an information system in a vehicle;
3 receiving into the information system substantially real-time data indicative of
4 a factor selected from the group consisting of:
5 distance traveled by the vehicle; and
6 fuel used by the vehicle;
7 and,
8 based on the data, presenting information selected from the group consisting
9 of:
10 location of a fuel stop;
11 distance to a fuel stop; and
12 elapsed time to a fuel stop.

13 Claim 38 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:
14 receiving into an information system within a vehicle, an operator vocal
15 command; and
16 sending a control signal to a climate control system in the vehicle, wherein the
17 control signal is based on the operator vocal command.

18 Claim 39 (withdrawn). The method of claim 38, further comprising adjusting the
19 vehicle climate control system based on the control signal.

20 Claim 40 (withdrawn). A method, comprising:
21 receiving into an information system within a vehicle, data signals from a
22 vision enhancement system within the vehicle; and,
23 sending a control signal to a peripheral system within the vehicle, wherein the
24 control signal is based on the operator vocal command.

25 Claim 41 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is
substantially an operational lighting system.

Claim 42 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is
substantially a windshield wiper system.

1 Claim 43 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is at
2 least a portion of a drive train.

3 Claim 44 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is
4 substantially a suspension system.

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6 Claim 45 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is
7 substantially a vehicle control system.

8 Claim 46 (withdrawn). The method of claim 40, wherein the peripheral system is
9 substantially a load control system.

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